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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

AHRNDT ET AL.

Serial No.: 09/484,650

Filed: January 18, 2000

For: METHOD FOR OPERATING

DEVICES FOR TRANSMITTING HIGH-BIT-RATE DATA ON AN

EXTENSION LINE AND

ARRANGEMENT HAVING SUCH

DEVICES FOR DATA TRANSMISSIONS

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AMENDMENT

Box: Non-Fee Amendment Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on February 6, 2002, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

No extension of time or other fees are believed to be due, except as detailed in the attached documents. However, any extension of time necessary to prevent abandonment is hereby requested, and any fee necessary for consideration of this response is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account Number 50-1390.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 2, and add new claims 6-14 as shown in the attached sheets.

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